

Dear Members of the Government Administration and Election Services Committee,

I am writing today to request the committee vote against SB 184 and HB 5262.

Voting is a U.S. citizen's most precious right. Its integrity must be protected. I believe the measures of these bills will loosen the safeguards instituted by the Connecticut Constitution has imposed safeguards to preserve the integrity of an individual's vote. These safeguards are especially important for our most vulnerable citizens especially in our inner cities who, history shows, have fallen prey to illicit vote rigging schemes. I refer to Beth Lazar, et. al. v. Joseph P. Ganim, et. al. in Bridgeport and https://seec.ct.gov/e2casebase/data/fd/FD_2009_096.pdf in Hartford. The legislation under consideration will dilute these Constitutional protections and further disenfranchise law-abiding Connecticut citizens.

Please vote no on SB 184 and HB 5262.

Respectfully submitted
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